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LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF NEW VETERINARY HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the recommended number of veterinary surgeon per thousand population of livestock in the country;

(b) whether the current availability of surgeons is not as per the required norms;

(c) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(d) the new veterinary hospitals, dispensaries, polyclinics being set up in the country particularly in the areas rich in livestock?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a): As per the recommendation of National Commission on Agriculture (1976) there should be at least one veterinarian for every 5,000 cattle unit by 2000 AD.

(b)&(c): As per information available from Indian Veterinary practitioners Registers (IVPR) maintained by Veterinary Council of India, a total of 50,650 registered veterinary practitioners are available in the country as on 31-3-2007 which is within the norms recommended by National Commission on Agriculture.

(d): Veterinary Services is a state subject and new veterinary hospitals, dispensaries, polyclinics are being set up by the respective State/Union Territory Governments depending upon livestock population in a particular area and availability of resources with the State/Union Territory Governments.